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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-33,491]

Coats American Rossville Plant, Rossville, Georgia; Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By application of September 27, 1997, a petitioner requested administrative reconsideration of the Department's negative determination regarding worker eligibility to apply for trade adjustment assistance, applicable to workers of the subject firm. The denial notice was signed on September 9, 1997 and will soon be published in the **Federal Register**.

Pursuant to 29 CFR 90.18(c) reconsideration may be granted under the following circumstances:

- (1) If it appears on the basis of facts not previously considered that the determination complained of was erroneous;
- (2) if it appears that the determination complained of was based on a mistake in the determination of facts not previously considered; or
- (3) if in the opinion of the Certifying Officer, a misinterpretation of facts or of the law justified reconsideration of the decision.

The request for reconsideration claims that equipment was shipped to Mexico to be used to produce like and directly competitive sewing threads which has affected the employment at Coats American in Rossville, Georgia.

In order for the Department to issue a worker group certification, all of the group eligibility requirements of Section 222 of the Trade Act must be met. Review of the investigation findings show that criterion (3) was not met. Imports of sewing threads did not contribute to the decline in sales, production, and employment at the Rossville, Georgia facility. Coats American did move production of sewing threads to Mexico, but the sewing threads being produced in Mexico are not being imported into the United States.

Conclusion

After review of the application and investigative findings, I conclude that there has been no error or misinterpretation of the law or of the facts which would justify reconsideration of the Department of

Labor's prior decision. Accordingly, the application is denied.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 16th day of October 1997.

Grant D. Beale,

Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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[TA-W-33,550 and TA-W-33-550A]

Elbeco, Incorporated; City Shirt Company, Frackville, PA and Meyersdale Manufacturing, Meyersdale, Pennsylvania; Amended Certification Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 USC 2273) the Department of Labor issued a Certification of Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance on July 30, 1997 applicable to all workers of City Shirt Company, Frackville, Pennsylvania. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on September 4, 1997 (62 FR 46775).

At the request of the petitioner, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. The investigation findings show that Elbeco, Incorporated of Reading, Pennsylvania is the parent firm of City Shirt Company, Frackville, Pennsylvania and Meyersdale Manufacturing, Meyersdale, Pennsylvania. The company reports that worker separation have occurred at Meyersdale Manufacturing, Meyersdale, Pennsylvania. The workers are engaged in employment related to the production of men's and women's uniform shirts.

Accordingly, the Department is amending the certification to cover workers at Meyersdale Manufacturing, Meyersdale, Pennsylvania.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Elbeco, Incorporated adversely affected by increased imports.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-33,550 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Elbeco, Incorporated, City Shirt Company, Frackville, Pennsylvania (TA-W-33,550), and Meyersdale Manufacturing, Meyersdale, Pennsylvania (TA-W-33,550A) who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after May 22, 1996, are eligible to apply for

adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 24th day of October, 1997.

Grant D. Beale,

Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-33,644]

Gulton Graphic Instruments, East Greenwich, Rhode Island; Notice of Revised Determination on Reopening

On August 25, 1997, the Department issued a Negative Determination Regarding Eligibility to apply for worker adjustment assistance, applicable to workers and former workers of Gulton Graphic Instruments located in East Greenwich, Rhode Island. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on September 17, 1997 (62 FR 48887).

By letter of September 17, 1997, the company requested administrative reconsideration regarding the Department's denial. New information provided by Gulton Graphic shows that company imports of temperature controllers increased during the time period relevant to the investigation.

Workers at the subject firm are engaged in employment related to the production of data measuring and recording devices. The workers are not separately identifiable by product line.

Sales, production and employment at the East Greenwich production facility declined during the relevant time period.

Conclusion

After careful review of the additional facts obtained on reopening, I conclude that increased imports of articles like or directly competitive with data measuring and recording devices, contributed importantly to the declines in sales or production and to the total or partial separation of workers of Gulton Graphic Instruments, East Greenwich, Rhode Island. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, I make the following certification:

All workers of Gulton Graphic Instruments, East Greenwich, Rhode Island, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after June 26, 1996 are eligible to apply for worker adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.